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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: Hideaki NISHIO et al.  
 Appln. No.: 10/527,307  
 Filed: November 3, 2005  
 For: METHOD FOR MANAGING USE OF STORAGE AREA  
 BY APPLICATION  
 Docket No: 9683/232

Examiner: SIKRI, Anish  
 Art Unit: 2443  
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## TRANSMITTAL

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**Attached is/are:**

- Transmittal; Response to Non-Compliant Amendment (9 Pages) .

**Fee calculation:**

- No additional fee is required.  
 Small Entity.  
 An extension fee in an amount of \$\_\_\_\_ for a \_\_\_\_-month extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a).  
 A petition or processing fee in an amount of \$\_\_\_\_ under 37 CFR § 1.17(\_\_\_\_).  
 An additional filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

|   | Claims Remaining<br>After Amendment |       | Highest No.<br>Previously Paid For | Present<br>Extra | Small Entity |           | Not a Small Entity |      |
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| Total                                     | 12                                  | Minus | 20                                 | 0                | x \$26=      |           | x \$52=            | 0    |
| Indep.                                    | 5                                   | Minus | 5                                  | 0                | x 110=       |           | x \$220=           | 0    |
| First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim |                                     |       |                                    |                  | +\$195=      |           | +\$390=            | 0    |
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Respectfully submitted,

  
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 Date